#### SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

#### **COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

#### October 15, 2021

The special meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission was held on October 15, 2021 at 10am at the Operations Center at 980 Nixon Drive. This meeting was recorded on facebook live.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Chairman Taylor at 10:00am.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Commissioners Uhlhorn, Lee and Smith.

#### **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Linda Phillips, AOE Monice Hagler, attorney Jacob Swatley, attorney Bill Dries

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING REDISTRICTING DEADLINE:**

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Smith made a motion

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Ulhorn

**OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed unanimously** 

AOE Phillips stated that the statuary requirement is that we must begin to issue petitions for county commissioners and other county races on December 20. Working backwards from that date, our voter registration vendor needs four weeks to load the files, test and give us the files to make sure everything works perfectly before they load them over one weekend. They need to receive the files by November 23 due to the holiday. Once the county commission does their job then we have to look at precinct lines to see if any need to be adjusted to eliminate splits and other issues. We need two weeks to do our part so the deadline to get us the maps needs to be November 8.

Chairman Taylor explained that the regular October meeting was cancelled due to no pressing official business and travel schedule conflicts. This special meeting was called to give those working on redistricting ample time to meet the deadline.

AOE Phillips stated that the state legislature will begin working on their lines for the state congressional and senate positions in January and we should have their information by January 17 so petitions for state races can be issued starting February 2.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made to adjourn by Commission Uhlhorn, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Brent Taylor, Chairman

Date

Bennie Smith, Secretary

Date

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Linda Phillips

APPROVED BY:

Linda Phillips

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